Budgetary allocation for the Ministry

2223. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of budgetary allocation to the Ministry during the last five financial years;

(b) the details of classes of weaker sections the Ministry is supposed to work and the specific welfare subjects for the said classes;

(c) whether the amount allocated to the Ministry is sufficient for the size of population covered under the jurisdiction of the Ministry; and

(d) if not, what actions were taken by the Ministry to obtain more funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN) (a) Budgetary allocation for the last five financial years was Rs. 1387.43 crore in 2001-02, Rs. 1468.88 crore in 2002-03, Rs. 1469.56 crore in 2003-04 Rs. 1557.01 crore in 2004-05 and Rs. 1599.70 crore in 2005-06.

(b) The Ministry is concerned with educational development, economic empowerment and social empowerment of weaker sections of the society including persons belonging to Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, Welfare & Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities, Older Persons and Drug Addicts.

(c) and (d) Allocation is decided by the Planning Commissin as per Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) available and inter-sectoral piorities during the financial year and not according to population size of the targeted group.

Setting up de-addiction centres in Madhya Pradesh

†2224. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Madhya Pradesh Government have sent 25 proposals of voluntary organisations for establishment of de-addiction centres to Central Government; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) by when approval to the said proposals will be accorded in order to intensify the drug de-addiction drive?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The proposals recommended by the State Government are scrutinized by the Screening Committee consisting of experts in the field. Proposals recommended by the Screening Committee are thereafter further processed. The Screening Committee has recommended three proposals for Madhya Pradesh for sanction of grant during 2006-07.

Proposals under Integrated Education for Disabled Children Scheme

2225. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain proposals of NGOs forwarded by the Government of Gujarat under Integrated Education for Disabled Children Scheme are lying pending with the Central Government;

(b) if so, since when; and

(c) the present status of these proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) Proposals under the Scheme of Integrated Education for the Disabled Children (IEDC) for the year 2006-07 involving 62 NGOs were received from the State Government of Gujarat in the Ministry of Human Resources Development. All these proposals have been processed and sanction has been accorded for financial assistance in respect of 55 NGOs. No NGO proposal from Gujarat for 2006-07 is pending at present.

Incentive for inter-caste marriages

2226. SHRI K.P.K. KUMARAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the approach of Government in the matter of offering a special reservation to the inter-caste marriage couples, as recommended by the